



# AGENDA REPORT

**Department:** Police Department  
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**Meeting Date:** Tuesday, June 3, 2025  
**Approved by:** Scott W. Huth, Interim City Manager

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**SUBJECT:**

Purchase of Forty (40) Panasonic Toughbook Mobile Data Computers (MDC's) for Police Department Officers for Use in Patrol Vehicles.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a Resolution Entitled, "Resolution of the City Council of the City of National City, California, Waiving the Formal Bid Process Pursuant to National City Municipal Code Section 2.60.260 Regarding Cooperative Purchasing and Authorizing the City to Piggyback onto National IPA Technology Solutions Contract #2018011 with CDW-G LLC for the Purchase of Forty Panasonic Toughbook Mobile Data Computers in a Not-to-Exceed Amount of \$198,486.65 for the National City Police Department."

**BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE PRIOR ACTION:**

Not Applicable.

**EXPLANATION:**

The Police Department assigns Panasonic Toughbook Mobile Data Computers (MDCs) to its officers for use in patrol vehicles to support them in performing their duties. A significant challenge lies ahead, as Microsoft will discontinue support for a key component of Windows 11 in October 2025 that will make the current MDCs obsolete. In anticipation of this, the department has proactively allocated funding within the current fiscal year to replace existing MDCs. This forward planning is intended to stay ahead of nationwide demand, mitigate potential supply chain delays, and provide adequate lead time for our IT staff to test and configure the new devices to ensure operational readiness.

The Department has successfully procured 10 new MDCs at a total cost of under \$49,621.66 and needs to order forty (40) additional units at a cost of \$198,486.65. Each unit, which includes a five (5) year warranty, is priced at \$4,962.17. Given that agencies across the country are preparing for the same transition, the availability of these devices is expected to become increasingly limited as the support deadline approaches. The equipment will be purchased from CDW-G, a large IT solution provider that focuses on serving federal, state and local governments, through the National IPA Technology Solutions Contract #2018011.

NCMC Section 2.60.260 provides authority to the purchasing agent to join with other public jurisdictions to take advantage of cooperative purchasing opportunities, including but not limited to any federal, state or local agency pricing program or structure that is determined by the purchasing agent to allow a procurement that is in the best interests of the City. The purchasing agent may buy directly from a vendor at a price established through competitive bidding by another public agency whose procedures have been determined by the purchasing agent to be

in substantial compliance with the City's procurement procedures, irrespective of the contracting limits of that jurisdiction or agency, even if the City had not initially joined with that public agency in the cooperative purchase.

National City's Purchasing staff has confirmed that the National IPA Technology Solutions Contract #2018011 was competitively bid through a Request for Proposals (RFP) process, and that the National IPA Technology Solutions procurement procedures are in substantial compliance with those of National City.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT:**

If approved, the cost to purchase the equipment will be \$198,486.65. The expenditure will be charged to account number 100-70-21-21100-7502- Computer Equipment (Police Department).

**RELATED CITY COUNCIL 2020-2025 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL:**

Public Safety

**ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW:**

This is not a project under CEQA, and is therefore, not subject to environmental review. CCR15378; PRC 21065.

**PUBLIC NOTIFICATION:**

The Agenda Report was posted at least 72 hours before the Regular Meeting date and time, and 24 hours before a Special Meeting in accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act

**ORDINANCE:**

Not Applicable

**EXHIBITS:**

Exhibit A – Quote PKZC981

Exhibit B – Resolution